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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000.
RESERVE FUND.....$ 5,750,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....$10,000,000.

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" 12 " 4 " "
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 15, 1896. 368

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 1515

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£ 500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.
Court of Directors.
D. GILLIES, Esq. | H. STOLTERFOHT, Esq.
CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq. | CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq.
KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.
Chief Manager.
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.
Interest for 12 months Fixed 6 %.
Hongkong, October 23, 1894. 1711

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL.....£1,500,000.
SUBSCRIBED.....£1,125,000.
PAID-UP.....£ 562,500.
Bankers.
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Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the Rate of 2 % per Annum on the Daily Balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months.....4 %
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For 3 Months.....2½ %
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, May 5, 1896. 228

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....£800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.....£800,000
RESERVE FUND.....£325,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 % per annum on the Daily balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 %
" " 6 " 3½ %
" " 3 " 2½ %
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager.
Hongkong, September 16, 1895. 946

WING YUEN & Co.,
DEALERS IN
PLUMBAGO, MICA AND ASBESTOS.
KIM WING,
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Hongkong, May 16, 1896. 1098

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Hongkong, July 20, 1896. 1454

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Sole Agent for Hongkong,
HARRY WICKING,
PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
F. REDDAWAY & Co., LTD., PENDLETON, MANCHESTER.
Hongkong, June 17, 1896. 1232

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SHANGHAI	*Rosetta*	G. K. WRIGHT, R.N.R.	About 8th August.
LONDON, &c.	*Mirzapore* *	J. R. LENDON, R.N.R.	Noon, 13th August.
JAPAN	*Verona*	C. H. S. TOCQUE, R.N.R.	Noon, 14th August.
LONDON	*Borneo*	L. M. WIBMER, R.N.R.	About 20th August.

* See Special Advertisement.

For Freight or Passage, and further Particulars, apply to
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, H. A. RITCHIE, *Superintendent.*
Hongkong, August 1, 1896. 1541

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Intimations.

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on MONDAY, the 3rd August.

For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,'
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,'
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

For 'The National Bank of China, Limited,'
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

For 'The Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,'
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Banque de L'Indo-Chine, Hongkong Agency,'
M. LACAZE,
pro Manager.

For the 'Bank of China and Japan, Ltd.,' Hongkong,
CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1526

THE EASTERN EXTENSION, AUSTRALASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LD. | THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY OF COPENHAGEN.

HONGKONG STATION: 31st July, 1896.

FURTHER REVISION OF TARIFF.

OWING to the continued depreciation of silver, and to the fact that the Companies' Outpayments to other TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATIONS, for further transmission of Telegrams beyond their own Systems in the East, are fixed in Gold, the charges for Telegrams to EUROPE and AMERICA will be collected at the Companies' Stations in China at the following Rate PER WORD on and after the first of August next.

To Europe (Russia excepted)	$2.75
California	3.51
Illinois	3.37
New York	3.25

From the same date the following local rates will come into force:—

Hongkong to Shanghai	$0.40
Hongkong to Amoy & Foochow	0.20

Other rates can be learned on application.
J. M. BECK,
1540 *for Manager in China.*

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 15th day of August next, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1896.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, July 28, 1896. 1523

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 1st to the 15th day of August next (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, July 28, 1896. 1524

Intimations.

THE IMPERIAL CHINESE TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION.

NOTICE.

OWING to the continued depreciation of silver, and to the fact that the Administration's Out-payments to other Telegraph Administrations, for further transmission of Telegrams beyond their own Systems in China are fixed in Gold, the Charges for Telegrams to EUROPE (Russia excepted) and AMERICA will be collected at all the ADMINISTRATION'S STATIONS in CHINA at the following RATE PER WORD on and after this day the 1ST OF AUGUST.

To Europe (Russia excepted) ...	$2 75
California	$3.51
Illinois	$3.37
New York	$3.25

Rates to all other places can be ascertained on application at the ADMINISTRATION'S OFFICES.

From the same date the following Rates for LOCAL TELEGRAMS will come into force at Hongkong:—

To Shanghai	$0.40 per word.
Foochow	$0.20 do.
Amoy	$0.20 do.

By Order of Director General,
WAN HAO,
Manager.
Hongkong, August 1, 1896. 1546

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.
No. 70.

NOTICE is hereby given that WEDNESDAY, the 5th Instant (6TH MOON, 26TH DAY), being the BIRTHDAY OF HIS MAJESTY THE EMPEROR OF CHINA, will be observed as a HOLIDAY at the KOWLOON CUSTOMS' OFFICE, OPIUM EXAMINATION OFFICE and STATION.

All Examination of Cargo and Clearances of Junks will be suspended on that date.

H. M. HILLIER,
Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District.
CUSTOM HOUSE,
Kowloon, 1st August, 1896. 1547

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KELLY & WALSH, LTD.,
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 8 PER CENT. or $1.20 per SHARE declared at the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Shareholders held This Day, will be PAYABLE at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after SATURDAY, the 1st August, 1896.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply to the OFFICE of the Company for WARRANTS.

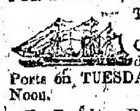
By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, July 21, 1896. 1538

Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.



The Co.'s Steamship *Haimen*, Capt. BATHURST, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 4th August, at Noon.

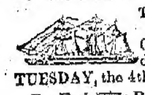
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, July 31, 1896. 1533

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW *and Ports on the* YANGTSZE).



The Co.'s Steamship *Patroclus*, Captain DICKENS, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 4th August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, July 31, 1896. 1536

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Co.'s Steamship *Haitan*, Captain ROACH, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 5th August, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, July 31, 1896. 1534

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

FOR PACIFIC COAST, CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

The Steamship *Hupeh* will be despatched on or about WEDNESDAY, the 5th August, for VICTORIA and VANCOUVER (B.C.), via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast, Canadian and United States Points.

For Particulars as to Rates, &c., apply to
D. E. BROWN, *General Agent.*

Hongkong, July 22, 1896. 1472

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Orestes*, Captain PULFORD, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th August.

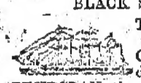
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, July 27, 1896. 1474

RICKMERS REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to RED SEA, MEDITERRANEAN *and* BLACK SEA PORTS).



The Co.'s Steamship *Marie Rickmers*, Captain E. BERG, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th August.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, July 9, 1896. 1331

SHELL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

The Co.'s Steamship *Euphrates*, Captain MORRIS, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 10th August.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, July 18, 1896. 1442

'STRATH' LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship *Strathnevis*, Captain PATTIE, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 10th August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, July 18, 1896. 1445

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

The Co.'s Steamship *Chingtu*, Captain INNES, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 11th August, at 3 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly-qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, July 28, 1896. 1525

FOR BALTIMORE.

The 3/3 *L.I.I.* American Ship *Isaac Reed*, Captain F. D. WALDO, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, June 30, 1896. 1321

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 3/3 *A.I.I.* American Ship *Manuel Fluguno*, Captain SMALL, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, June 8, 1896. 1170

FOR NEW YORK.

The 3/3 *A.I.I.* American Ship *Charles E. Moody*, Captain LEONARD, shortly expected here, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, June 30, 1896. 1322

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 109 *A.I.* British Ship *Socotra*, ROBBE, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, May 21, 1896. 1052

FOR NEW YORK.

The 100 *A.I.* American Ship *Paul Revere*, SYLVIA, Master, shortly expected from Shanghai, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, July 24, 1896. 1196

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 5th August, at Noon, the Company's Steamship *ERNEST SIMONS*, Commandant LE TROADEC, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave the Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, *without transhipment.*

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

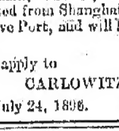
Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 4th August. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*

Hongkong, July 23, 1896. 1479



STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

The Steamship *MIRZAPORE*, Captain J. R. LENDON, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 13th August, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *via* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE, *Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, July 30, 1896. 1531

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS).

JAVA-HONGKONG-YOKOHAMA-KOBE-AMOY-HONGKONG-SINGAPORE-JAVA.

FROM HONGKONG TO JAVA.

S.S. *Federation* ..... August.
S.S. *Germania* ..... September.
S.S. *Castilia* ..... October.

TO JAPAN.

S.S. *Germania* ..... August.
S.S. *Castilia* ..... September.
S.S. *Federation* ..... October.

General Agents for China & Japan:
LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.

Hongkong, July 26, 1896. 482

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on, through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Sachsen	Tuesday	August 18.
Bayern	Tuesday	September 15
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday	October 13.
Preussen	Tuesday	November 10
Sachsen	Tuesday	December 8.
Bayern	Tuesday	January 5.
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday	February 2.
Preussen	Tuesday	March 2.

ON TUESDAY, the 18th day of August, 1896, at 9 a.m., the Company's S.S. *SACHSEN*, Captain H. SUPPER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 15th August, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m., on MONDAY, the 17th August, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon, on MONDAY, the 17th August. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, July 23, 1896. 1483

To Let.

TO LET.

WESTBOURNE VILLA NORTH, BONHAM ROAD.
IDLEWILD, SEYMOUR ROAD.
1ST FLOOR of No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
No. 2, ALBANY, immediately above the PUBLIC GARDENS.

Apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.

Hongkong, July 1, 1896. 1326

TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES—
HOUSES in RIPON TERRACE.
FIRST FLOOR of No. 4, BLUE BUILDINGS.
TOP FLOOR of No. 1, BLUE BUILDINGS—FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED.
No. 2, MAGDALEN TERRACE—MAGAZINE GAP.
'TULLABEG' (Bungalow)—MAGAZINE GAP.
GODOWNS in BLUE BUILDINGS.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.

Hongkong, July 20, 1896. 233

TO LET.

NO. 4, MORRISON HILL.
No. 5, WEST TERRACE.

Apply to
G. C. ANDERSON. 13, *Praya Central.*

Hongkong, June 2, 1896. 1131

TO LET.

NO. 3, STEWART TERRACE.

Apply to
J. W. NOBLE.

Hongkong, June 13, 1896. 1215

TO LET.

5-ROOMED BUNGALOW 'RHEDA,' BONHAM ROAD.

Apply to
CHINA MERCHANTS' S. N. Co., *No. 22, Praya West.*

Hongkong, June 3, 1896. 1177

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day commenced BUSINESS as a GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

W. SHEWAN.

Hongkong, July 20, 1896. 1456

Insurances.

UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

(Instituted in the Reign of Queen Anne A.D. 1714).

CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £450,000.
CAPITAL PAID UP, £180,000.
TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS EXCEED £2,700,000.
TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £850,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENT of the above Society in Hongkong, is prepared to issue POLICIES against FIRE on the usual terms.

HARRY WICKING, *Praya Central.*

1421

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1895, £12,423,131.

Authorised Capital $3,000,000.0.0
Subscribed Capital £2,750,000.0.0
Paid-up Capital £687,500.0.0
Fire Funds £2,601,016.2.9

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to Accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, July 23, 1896. 1475

Notices to Consignees.

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *CROMARTY*, FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m. TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd Prox. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 3rd Proximo, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd Prox., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, July 28, 1896. 1521

Intimations.

SIEN TING, *Surgeon Dentist,* No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation Free.

Hongkong, April , 1895. 628

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co., *Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers, Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.*

NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

VOIGTLANDER'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.
RITCHIE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES.
ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS, NAUTICAL BOOKS.
English SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.
Christofle & Co.'s ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY in great variety.
DIAMONDS
AND
DIAMOND JEWELLERY,
A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, *at very moderate prices.* 724

FOR SALE.

Messrs. Kelly & Walsh's List includes the following WORKS by Dr. EITEL:—

EUROPE IN CHINA: The History of Hongkong, from the beginning to the year 1882. Hongkong, 1895. $6.50.
HANDBOOK OF BUDDHISM: A Sanskrit-Chinese Dictionary. Second Edition. Hongkong, 18— $2.50.
THREE LECTURES on BUDDHISM. Third Edition. Hongkong, 1884. $1.50.
FENGSHUI; Rudiments of Chinese Natural Science. Hongkong, 1873. $2.00.
CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTON DIALECT. Four Volumes, with Appendix. Hongkong, 1877. $10.00. Bound, $11.50.
CHINESE SCHOOLBOOKS. Translated. I. The Trimetrical Classic. II. The Thousand Words Poem. $0.50 per set.
Hongkong, August 9, 1895. 1476

Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, *No. 8, Queen's Road, Central.*

HEAD OFFICE:—TOKIO.
BRANCH OFFICE:—LONDON, NEW YORK, BOMBAY, SINGAPORE, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN, NEWCHWANG and all Ports in JAPAN.
AGENCIES:—
MIIKE COAL MINES.
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KANADA COAL MINES.
TOKIO MARINE INSURANCE Co., LTD.
MEIJI FIRE INSURANCE Co., LTD.
WATERBURY WATCH Co., LTD.
IMPERIAL GOVT. PAPER MILL, Japan.
COTTON CLEANING & WEG. Co., S'hai.
ONODA CEMENT COMPANY, Japan.
KANEGAFUCHI COTTON SP'ING MILL, ,,
TOKIO COTTON SPINNING MILL, ,,
HAYASHI CLOCK FACTORY, ,,

Hongkong, July 6, 1896. 1378

FOR SALE.

J. & G. STODART'S FINE OLD WEST OF SCOTLAND Whisky.

Dodwell, Carlill & Co., *Praya Central.*

Hongkong, March 2, 1896. 478

DUC DE MONTEBELLO CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, $33; Pints, $33 per case.
AGENT:—
W. HUTTON POTTS;

Also AGENT for the following Red and White Wines (bottled by Mons. P. Skowinski, Margaux),
ST. JULIEN, CH. LIOVILLE, CH. MARGAUX, SAUTERNE, CH. YQUEM, &c.

Hongkong, June 25, 1896. 1289

A WONDERFUL MEDICINE.

BEECHAM'S PILLS

are universally admitted to be
Worth a Guinea a Box.

FOR BILIOUS AND NERVOUS DISORDERS,
Sick Headache, Loss of Appetite, Scurvy and Blotches on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, &c.

For females of all ages they are invaluable.

The 1/1½d. boxes contain 56 Pills. Price, 30 Cents a Box.

Prepared only by the Proprietor, THOMAS BEECHAM, St. Helen's, England.
Sole Agents for Hongkong and China:—
WATKIN & Co., 95, Queen's Road. 9

To-day's Advertisements.

WIRTH'S CIRCUS.

On account of the inclemency of the weather there will be
NO PERFORMANCE
THIS EVENING.

TO-MORROW EVENING,
GRAND OPENING
AT NEW GROUND, WEST POINT.
RAIN OR SHINE.

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1554

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICE of the Company, No. 14, Praya Central, on MONDAY, the 24th August, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, and the Statement of Accounts to the 30th June, 1896.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. J. ROSE, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1553

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Lightning* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 6th Inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, Wanchai.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1556

SOCIÉTÉ FERMIÈRE DE L'OPIUM AU TONKIN

EN LIQUIDATION.

SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME AU CAPITAL DE 1,400,000 FRANCS.

SIÈGE SOCIAL—HANOI.

NOTICE.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that the Sum of MEX. DOLLARS NINETY ($90), being the Fourth DIVIDEND Due on Account of the Company's Assets, is PAYABLE in HONGKONG at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, from the 5th September to the 20th September, 1896, and in HAIPHONG at the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, from the 30th September to the 15th October against Presentation of Scrip and Receipt.

By Order,
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1550

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, $400.
Excellent accommodation. First class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

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The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA, $225.
Rates of Passage to other Points on application.
Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Braemar	3,601	Tuesday	Aug. 25.
Tacoma	2,549	Thursday	Sept. 3.
Victoria	3,167	Monday	Sept. 21.
Olympia	2,603	Friday	Oct. 9.
Columbia	3,601	Tuesday	Oct. 27.

THE Steamship *BRAEMAR*, Captain E. PORTER, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 25th August, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.), and TACOMA (Wash.), *vid* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., *General Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1555

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

THE Steamship *BRAEMAR*, Captain E. W. BURNS, sailing at Noon, on SATURDAY, the 8th Inst., will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.), and TACOMA (Wash.), *vid* KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

For Particulars, see regular Northern Pacific Advertisement.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., *General Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1551

To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, NEWPORT AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Oopack* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 8th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on SATURDAY, the 8th Instant.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 9th Instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1555

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAIGON.

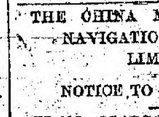
The Co.'s Steamship *Wuhu*, Capt. VAUGHAN, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 5th August, at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1513

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.



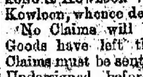
The Co.'s Steamship *Taiyuan*, Captain NELSON, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th August, at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1473

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.



The Co.'s Steamship *Nanchang*, Capt. FINLAYSON, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1488

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,
(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KURRACHEE, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, VENICE, FIUME AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT *and* ADRIATIC PORTS).

(Also to NATAL, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN).

The Co.'s Steamship *Marquis Bocquehem*, Capt. G. COSTANZO, will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 6th Instant.

Cargo will not be received on board after 3 p.m. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1552

FOR NAGASAKI AND KOBE.

The Steamship *Nanshan*, Capt. JENKINS, will be despatched for the above Ports at Noon on FRIDAY, the 7th Inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BRADLEY & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1545

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

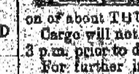
The Co.'s Steamship *Memnon*, Capt. BRANCH, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 8th August, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1537

RICKMERS REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI.



The Co.'s Steamship *Elizabeth Rickmers*, Capt. ANDERSEN, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 8th Instant.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, August 3, 1896. 1551

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

SAVONA, British ship, Capt. Dinsmore, Captain.
[illegible], British ship, Captain A. H. [illegible], Shewan, Tomes & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

August 1:—

Kirkhill, British steamer, 1,347, L. B. Watson, Bombay via Tuticorin July 11, and Singapore 25, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Namyong, British str., 984, H. Smith, Singapore July 24, General.—SAM MOY & Co.

August 2:—

Lyesmoon, German steamer, from Canton.

Taisang, British str., 1,505, H. W. Hogg, Shanghai via Swatow July 29, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Phra Chula Chom Klao, British steamer, 1,012, P. Primrose, Bangkok July 23, Rice and General.—YUEN FAT HONG.

Ariake Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,886, Asai, Kuchinotzu July 28, Coal.—MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

Haitan, British str., 1,182, J. S. Roach, Swatow August 1, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

August 3:—

Taiwan, British steamer, from Canton.

Patroclus, British steamer, 3,323, E. G. Dickens, Liverpool and Singapore July 20, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Ocpack, British steamer, 2,517, Sommer, London and Singapore July 28, General.—HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Osborne, British str., 2,033, P. Rettie, Yokohama via Moji July 28, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Sabine Rickmers, German steamer, 698, J. Sanders, Swatow August 2, Ballast.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Lightning, British steamer, 2,124, J. G. Spence, Calcutta July 18, and Singapore 28, General.—DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

DEPARTURES.

August 2:—

Bygda, for Canton.
Oslo, for Bangkok.
Phra Nang, for Hoihow.
Olympia, for Amoy and Tacoma.
Mathilde, for Hoihow.
Bisagno, for Singapore and Bombay.
Strathdee, for Hakodate.
Chelydra, for Singapore and Calcutta.
Monykut, for Bangkok.

August 3:—

Taisang, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Evandale, for Kokuhinotzu.
Yuensang, for Manila.
Loyal, for Hoihow.
Aparrade, for Saigon.
Onsang, for Kobe.
China, for Saigon.
Choysang, for Swatow.
Congella, for Singapore and East London.
Keong wai, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Namyong*, from Singapore, 54 Chinese.
Per *Taisang*, from Shanghai via Swatow, 58 Chinese.
Per *Phra Chula Chom Klao*, from Bangkok, 9 Chinese.
Per *Haitan*, from Swatow, 37 Chinese.
Per *Patroclus*, from Liverpool and Singapore, 223 Chinese.
Per *Ocpack*, from Singapore, 200 Chinese.
Per *Osborne*, from Yokohama via Moji, 3 Japanese.
Per *Lightning*, from Calcutta, &c., Major W. de Patton, and 460 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Oslo*, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese.
Per *Phra Nang*, for Hoihow, 30 Chinese.
Per *Bisagno*, for Singapore, 297 Chinese.
Per *Chelydra*, for Singapore, 373 Chinese.
Per *Monykut*, for Bangkok, 15 Chinese.
Per *Olympia*, for San Francisco, Captain and Mrs. F. P. Sheppard, Mr. T. Reid, Mrs. and Miss Reid.

TO DEPART.

Per *Yuensang*, for Manila, 5 Europeans, and 100 Chinese.
Per *Loyal*, for Hoihow, 11 Chinese.
Per *Aparrade*, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.
Per *Mathilde*, for Hoihow, 60 Chinese.
Per *China*, for Saigon, 300 Chinese.
Per *Choysang*, for Swatow, 200 Chinese.
Per *Keong wai*, for Swatow, 20 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Kirkhill* reports: Had strong S.W. wind all the way up China Sea.

The British steamer *Namyong* reports: Had moderate Southerly and S.W. winds to Padaran; strong S.S.E. winds and high sea from there to lat. 20° N.; light winds and fine weather from thence to port.

The British steamer *Taisang* reports: Strong S. Easterly wind and high sea to Turnabout; thence to port, moderate S.W. winds and fine weather.

The British steamer *Phra Chula Chom Klao* reports: Fresh and moderate S.W. and S'ly winds, cloudy weather, showery to Padaran; from thence to port S. to S.S.E. winds and fine weather.

The Japanese steamer *Ariake Maru* reports: On the 29th of July, experienced strong S'ly breeze and heavy sea. On proceeding the wind hauled to South-Westward, with moderate clear weather, and pretty good barometer 29.85. From Turnabout down to Hongkong, weather fine and moderate S.W'ly breeze, still heavy sea on from Southward.

The British steamer *Haitan* report: Light S.S.E. winds and calms. Steamers in Swatow: *Federation*, *Sabine Rickmers*.

The British steamer *Patroclus* reports: Light South to S.W. winds and fine clear weather to Paracels, moderate to fresh East to N.E. winds and showery from thence in.

The British steamer *Ocpack* reports: Fine passage throughout.

The British steamer *Osborne* reports: Moji to Lammock Island, strong S. to S.W. winds and heavy Southerly swell; Lammock Island to Hongkong, moderate to light variable winds and fine, sea smooth.

The British steamer *Lightning* reports: Had fine weather.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SAIGON.—
Per *Wuhu*, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th August.

For YOKOHAMA & KOBE.—
Per *Taiyuan*, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th August.

For KUTCHINOTZU.—
Per *Normandie*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 4th August.

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—
Per *Haimun*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 4th August.

For TIENTSIN.—
Per *Nanchang*, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th August.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET STEAMER will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 13th August, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *viâ* Brindisi, to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The postal boxes will be closed in time for the Mails.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per *Haitan*, at 10.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th August.

For KOBE.—
Per *Nanshan*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 7th August.

For KUDAT & SANDAKAN.—
Per *Memnon*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th August.

For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C. & VANCOUVER.—
Per *Empress of China*, Registration at 10 a.m., Letters at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 12th August. (Supplementary Mail on board till time of departure. Extra Postage 10 cents). Correspondence sent on board must be handed to a Post Office official, who will remain on board till time of departure. The Officers of the str. are not allowed to receive such Correspondence.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
Per *Verona*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 14th August.

For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—
Per *Chingtu*, Registration at 2 p.m., Letters at 2.30 p.m., on Friday, the 14th August. (Supplementary mail on board till time of departure. Extra postage 10 cents).

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet *Ernest Simon* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 5th August, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *vid Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails. &c.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

NOON.—*Haiman* leaves for Swatow, &c. *Patroclus* leaves for Shanghai.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Sachsen* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, August 9:—
Goods per *Gopack* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, August 10:—
Transfer Books of The Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., closed from this date to 24th Inst., inclusive.

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BIRTHS.

At Wuhu, on the 24th July, the Wife of Dr EDGERTON H. HART, of a Daughter.

At 26, Quinsan Road, Shanghai, on the 25th July, the Wife of THOMAS HENRY HARRIS, of a Daughter.

On the 2nd Instant, at No. 51, Wyndham Street, the Wife of CHARLES MOONEY, of a Daughter.

DEATH.

On the 26th July, at 24, Boone Road, Shanghai, BABY, the youngest son of Frank and Nellie FERRIS, aged four months and twenty-two days.

☞ *The publication of this issue commenced at 2.00 p.m.*

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 1896.

No one with the slightest knowledge of the East will deny that in the history of modern China no personage bulks more prominently than the veteran statesman Li Hung Chang. From amongst the sycophants and thieves, murderers and prevaricators who constitute official China, Li Hung Chang stands forth as perhaps the least condemnable. As a mere man, stripped of official trappings and official status, he would receive marked attention in any country he visited. People would not stop to consider his duplicities and shortcomings, nor would they discuss his peculations or those of his family; prompted by that courtesy which civilisation has taught them to bestow upon a stranger they would think of him only as the best of a bad lot and respect him as such. More than this we would not expect Li Hung Chang to receive. The spectacle of civilised Europe paying him homage is far from flattering to the self-respect of the countries he has visited. Autocratic Russia led the way. Her high officials, and even the Czar himself, played the game of Uriah Heep. The versatile William of Germany, the Royal jack-of-all-trades, outdid his cousin of Russia. Even if he had been a Royal personage, Li Hung Chang could scarcely have been more lavishly entertained or bestobbered than he was in Germany. His visit to the Fatherland was exceedingly well managed, from the Chinese point of view, by the firm of Messrs Detring and von Hanneken. The proudest of the outer barbarians bowed the knee to the wearer of the restored Yellow Jacket, who received far more attention than Marshal Yamagata, the representative of China's victor, and more worthy of respect than the venerable Li. Republican France had to dance to the tune set by her dear ally Russia, but we are pleased to see that the French of Tonkin, gush though they may over a visit from General Son, do not approve of Li's reception in Paris. *Le Courrier d'Haiphong*, with which we have sometimes to differ politically, very properly calls attention to the farce of according Li and his suite a quasi-royal reception in Europe, whilst Li's compatriots are hard at work destroying French mission houses and harrying French missionaries from native villages. 'Li Hung Chang,' exclaims our contemporary, 'continues his triumphal march across Europe, whilst the Chinese canaille massacre the Europeans who bring to them the light of civilisation! The contrast is striking! There (in Europe) the cordial toasts, the enthusiastic ovations, the extraordinary fetes; here ——' (and here *Le Courrier* recapitulates some of the atrocities perpetrated by the Chinese upon innocent Europeans in China). The contrast is certainly a striking one; it is a contrast that ought not to be put out of sight. Professor R. K. Douglas has rightly drawn attention to it in the *Times*, and the *Times*, the *Spectator*, and other reputable dailies and weeklies, taking up the theme, wisely counsels the statesmen of Great Britain to avoid the mistakes of Continental monarchs and statesmen, to treat Li Hung Chang with the courtesy he deserves, but with no snivelling deference, no bending of the knee to the representative of Chinese arrogance, deceit, untruthfulness, encrusted bigotry and hatred of the European. We have already reproduced what the *Times* and Professor Douglas had to say; we now quote from *The Spectator*: 'Li is entitled, of course, to all the respect usually paid to the representative of a first-class Power, but the shrewd and smooth old gentleman has no personal claim upon the British for anything beyond courtesy. We do not want anything which he can grant, and if we did it is doubtful whether a cool ceremoniousness would not impress him a great deal more than the flatteries which have been poured upon him in Berlin. It is extremely doubtful if unusual honours can add any effect upon an Oriental beyond confirming his own estimate of himself, which in the case of a Chinese Mandarin is the precise cause of his customary unreasonableness. He will take us, we may be sure, for a set of barbarians, whatever we do, and will grant or refuse our requests without reference to anything but the interests of China, and his own place among the counsellors of the throne.' It is an aberration of *The Spectator*, which even the result of the late war has not corrected, to consider China a first-class Power, but th t may be allowed to pass in appreciation of the true value the writer sets upon Li Hung Chang's personal influence at Peking. There are still a few Europeans in the Far East who believe Li's travels in Europe will produce a zeal for reform at Peking. We venture to doubt it. In the past, when his power was greater, Li did little, or was able to accomplish little, in the direction of diffusing European enlightenment and civilisation throughout China; now that he is shorn of his power it is foolish to imagine his influence for good will be greater on his return. We must not forget that no honour was conferred on Li, from the Chinese standpoint, in sending him to Europe. It was a disagreeable duty; and as such was thrust upon him much in the same way as the humiliating peace negotiations at Shimonoseki. Far from doing good, the Royal reception of Li will have a bad moral effect upon his numerous suite, who will return to China impressed not with the greatness of the countries they have visited but with the humiliation of Czar, Kaiser and President before the representative of their Imperial master, the Son of Heaven. The leading English newspapers have struck out the proper line of conduct in reference to Li's visit to England. No harm will come from an application of healthy hauteur after the sickly sycophancy of the Great Powers of the Continent.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.
(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Benvenue*, June 23; *Courtfield*, 25; *Strathdee*, *City of Dublin*, 30; *Tosa-Maru*, July 3; *Flintshire*, 7; *Shanghai*, 10; *Aglaia*, *Glenavon*, *Ghazee*, 13; *Oolong*, *Sydney*, *Dardanus*, *Leander*, 17; *Kriemhild*, 21; *Canton*, 24; *Benwirlich*, *Dordogne*, *Glaucus*, 28; *Mogul*, *Ping Suey*, *Weymington Hall*, 31.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Erato*, *Malacca*, June 26; *Cowrie*, July 3; *Prinz Heinrich*, *Teneer*, 17; *Benalder*, *Clam*, 14; *Manila*, *Agapanthus*, *Ceres*, *Delke Rickmers*, 21; *Caledonien*, *Hyson*, 24; *Benledi*, 28; *Glengarry*, *Japan*, 31.

Mails.

The M. M. steamship *Sephalien*, with the FRENCH MAIL of July 3, left Saigon on Saturday, the 1st Aug., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 4th August. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 27th May.

The *Empress of China* arrived at Shanghai at 6 a.m. on Aug. 1, and left at 3 p.m. for Hongkong, where she may be expected to arrive about 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 4.

The P. M. s.s. *City of Peking*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 11th July, via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port, via Nagasaki, on the morning of the 31st July.

The N. P. s. s. *Bracmar* left Victoria on July 15 for this port, via usual ports of call.

The s. s. *Mount Lebanon* left Victoria, B.C., on July 30 for Yokohama, via Honolulu.

Steamers Expected.

The D. D. R. steamer *Frigga*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on July 29, and may be expected here on or about the 3rd August.

The P. & O. s. s. *Brindisi* left Singapore for this port at 6 a.m. on July 30.

The O. S. S. Co.'s s. s. *Nestor*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on July 31, and may be expected here on or about 6th Aug.

The Rickmers Line s. s. *Elizabeth Rickmers*, from Middlesbro', Antwerp and Hamburg, left Singapore on Aug. 1, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 7.

Latest Advices.

The Austrian Lloyd's s. s. *Marquis Bacquehem* left Kobe for this port on the afternoon of July 31.

The N. G. Lloyd's s.s. *Sachsen*, from Hongkong July 30, arrived at Shanghai yesterday morning.

The O. and O. s. s. *Belgic*, with mails, &c., which left hence July 5 for San Francisco, via Macao, Amoy, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on July 31.

The O. and O. s. s. *Doric*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 21st July.

The P. M. s. s. *China*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, Yokohama and Nagasaki, on July 30.

The P. & O. s. s. *Rosetta*, with the next English Mail, left Singapore at 4 p.m. on the 1st Aug., and is due here at 6 a.m. on Thursday, the 6th Aug.

The P. & O. s. s. *Shanghai* left Singapore at 5 p.m. on the 1st Aug., and is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday, the 7th Aug.

The N. P. s. s. *Tacoma* left Victoria for this port on 30th July, via ports of call.

The Silk ex *Empress of India* arrived in New York on the 18th August.

THE Secretary of the Punjom Mining Company (Limited) advises in that he has received the following cable from the Mines, being the result of the July Clean-up:—'The Mill ran 27 days, crushing 1,100 tons of ore, yielding 515 ozs. of smelted Gold. Sixty tons of Concentrates were calcined, yielding 84 ozs. of Gold.'

MR CHAMBERLAIN has sanctioned the appointment of a fourth judge for the Straits Settlements. Mr Chamberlain also considers that the limitation of Assistant Registrars to the class of duly-qualified lawyers is reasonable, provided that the limitation be modified by making five years' service as Deputy Registrar an equivalent qualification for the post of Assistant Registrar, on the part of an officer who is not a lawyer.

THE following notice of the latest literary production of the headmaster of Queen's College appears in *The Spectator*:—*Was Israel ever in Egypt?* by G. H. Bateson Wright, D.D., (Williams and Norgate), is a book in which what may be called the destructive criticism—perhaps 'destructive' is too strong a word—is supported. Dr Wright does not impress us with a distinct sense of acuteness or knowledge. He confounds on p. 34, for instance, the well known legends of King Alfred and Robert Bruce. Surely, too, there is no discrepancy, as he thinks, between Professor Sayce's concession that the Pentateuch is a composite document, and his criticism on the 'confidence with which one portion of a verse is assigned to one author and another portion to another.' We may see broadly that the Pentateuch is made up of documents of various authorship and date, but shrink from the impossible task of distinguishing between clause and clause.

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WIRTH'S Circus will not show this evening on account of the inclement weather. The Company will perform at their new location to-morrow night, rain or shine.

THE new Ocean steamship *Patroclus*, a sister ship to the *Prometheus*, arrived in Hongkong this morning on her maiden trip to the East.

SINCE his retirement from the Government service Dr Marques has received many tokens of the respect in which he is held by all sections of the community. During the sixteen years he has been in the Government service he has by his kind and sympathetic manner earned for himself an enviable popularity. It having become known that the respected doctor purposed visiting his native place, Macao, to spend a few months with his aged parents previous to departing for Europe to pursue his studies still further, a number of his Portuguese and Chinese friends held a meeting to arrange for his departure. After consultation it was arranged that, instead of witnessing his departure, they would accompany him on the first stage of his journey. The following Committee were appointed to make the necessary arrangements:—

Committee:—L. J. Xavier (President), A. J. V. Ribeiro (Vice-President), G. A. Yvanovich (Secretary), R.—R. Roberts (Treasurer), R. M. de Souza, J. C. da Cunha, E. H. d'Aquino, F. Tse-Yat, Ng Fuk Shang, W. Quincey, A. R. Madar, J. D. Remedios, Leung Yun Po, F. X. V. Ribeiro, A. M. R. Pereira, A. A. H. Botelho, J. M. Remedios, F. O. Ozorio, F. d'A. J. Menezes.

As the outcome of the meeting, yesterday morning, the steamship *Honam* departed from Hongkong, with Dr Marques and over 400 of his well-wishers. The *Honam* was gaily decked with flags. Shortly after nine o'clock the steamer moved out to a perfect hurricane of crackers and hearty hurrahs. The weather was glorious. As the doctor paraded the deck, he was cordially greeted by the many passengers. After a pleasant voyage, Macao was reached about half-past twelve. On the pier were assembled a large number of the inhabitants, who welcomed the doctor on landing with loud cheers, while the band of the Sociedade Philharmonica, on board the steamer, played a march entitled 'Pereira Marques,' composed specially for the occasion by C. Baptista, the conductor. Dr Marques proceeded to his father's house accompanied by a large train of friends. There some time was devoted to speeches. The remainder of the day was spent in viewing the city and suburbs. During the day Inspector Quincey, one of the chief organisers of the excursion, was most energetic in seeing to the comfort and amusement of the passengers. The departure from Macao about nine o'clock was signalised by the explosion of innumerable Chinese crackers and cheers for Dr Marques. The *Honam* reached Hongkong about one o'clock, all on board having spent a most enjoyable day.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS:—At *Kowloon*—Activ, Raina Cristina, McDuff, Strathallan, Picciola, Nanyang, Kianguan, Brand, Progress, Honam.

Cosmopolitan—Wandering Jew, Nanshan, Afridi, Gaelic.

Aberdeen—Tyr, Taiyuan.

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TWO English explorers are now well on their way to China by routes north of Tibet. Captain Deasy, of the 16th Lancers, has taken the Khoten route and will work through Chinese Turkistan to Batang, while Captain Wellby, of the 18th Hussars, has gone more to the west. Leh was the starting point in each case. The journeys will last six months.—*Rangoon Gazette.*

THE Manila quarter-master of the *Keongtai*, who is confined in the British Consular gaol, charged with stabbing some sailors of that vessel last week, will leave by the *Doric* to take his trial before the Spanish Consul at Saigon, says the *Siam Free Press* of the 22nd July. Some difficulty having arisen over a question of nationality of the accused, Mr Kempermann, who is also the Spanish Consul at Bangkok, appears to have communicated with the Spanish Minister at Pekin on the subject of his arrest, and a reply was wired this morning to Mr Flugger, H.I.G.M. Consul, requesting him to send the accused to Saigon, where the matter will be investigated before the Spanish Consul.

THE mandarins cannot in the future blame the merchants and wealthy people of China, if in the event of another scarcity of funds, the latter refuse to lend any more money to the Imperial government. During the late war with Japan under the promise of the Board of Revenue to refund at stated intervals the 'Merchants' Loan,' the Government were able to raise something like eight and-a-half million taels. Once the money was in their grasp the provincial authorities have been trying all kinds of subterfuges to retain this money, counselling the holders of local scrip to invest their money in cotton mills, etc., projected by the notables and gentry of the treaty ports, who, of course, are merely retired mandarins and the tools of those in office. Fortunately for the future good name of the Imperial government a Censor has recently denounced this action of the provincial authorities and asks the Emperor to keep his word and order the refunding of the loan as each instalment falls due, to which the Emperor will probably give consent. It will be remembered we published some time ago the substance of a petition by a large number of local merchants praying the acting Viceroy Chang to permit them to get back their money when it fell due, 'as the late war had crippled many of them and they wanted their money to prop up their business instead of investing in silk filatures, cotton mills, etc.' The Viceroy's reply was that the petitioners did not know what was good for them, and in other words he vetoed the petition, although he said that 'if the petitioners *really* wanted their money back he could not gainsay them,' but then in cases like this an unwilling assent is often little more efficacious than a downright refusal.—*N. C. Daily News.*

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THE DEPRESSION.

The Spanish Consul, Sr. J. de Navarro, has favoured us with a copy of the following telegrams:—

Manila, August 1, 1896, 3.20 p.m.—The depression announced this morning is a cyclone. Probably it will cross the island by 13th degree lat., going from E.S.E. to W.N.W. It is not known if the direction will change.

7.53 p.m.—The storm has entered the Island by the 13th degree lat. The centre is passing by the S. of Manila and its direction is from S.E. to N.W.

Aug. 2, 5.50 p.m.—The storm is now to the N. W. of Manila, in the China Sea. It seems that it is recurving to the North.

The following was issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 3rd at 10.30 a.. Black South Cone hoisted. Typhoon about 300 miles to the SSE of Hongkong moving towards NW. At 10.45 a.. The barometer has risen at Bolinao, fallen in the neighbourhood of Hongkong. Pressure is nearly 0.1 inch below the normal at the former station and slightly in excess at Hongkong. Forecast:—, strong NE and E winds, increasing; squally and showery.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

SINGAPORE, 31st July, 1896.

THE IRISH LAND BILL.

The Irish Land Bill has passed the House of Commons.

MR CECIL RHODES.

Mr Cecil Rhodes has offered to come to London to stand a trial if his prosecution is desired.

THE POWERS AND GREECE.

The Powers intend sending a Collective Note to Athens unless Greece follows the previous advice of the Powers to allow the Sultan to restore order in Crete.

LONDON, 31st July, 1896.

THE CHARTERED SOUTH AFRICAN CO.

The House of Commons has agreed to appoint a Select Committee to enquire into the administration of the Chartered South African Co., including the responsibility of Imperial officials.

CRICKET.

The Australian Eleven has beaten Surrey by eleven wickets.

IMPRISONMENT OF THE TRANSVAAL RAIDERS.

Dr Jameson and the other prisoners have been removed to Wormwood Scrubbs, where they will be treated as second-class misdemeanants.

INSANITARY DWELLING COMMISSION.

The following Commission issued by H.E. the Governor in Council is published in Saturday's *Gazette*:—

William Robinson,
Governor.

Whereas it is expedient that a Commission be appointed to inquire into the existence of insanitary properties in the colony and the means to be adopted to improve such properties and to abate overcrowding, with special reference to the following details, viz.:—

1.—Whether it is desirable to resume insanitary properties, improve them, and then re-sell them.

2.—The means by which such properties are to be resumed and the compensation to be paid for same assessed.

3.—How the said properties should be improved and by whom such improvement should be carried out.

4.—The means to be adopted for housing the occupants of any dwellings pending improvements.

5.—The amount of capital required for resumption and improvements, how it is to be raised and how far it will be met by a re-sale, with any suggestions or recommendations the Commission may make on the subject.

Now therefore, I, Sir William Robinson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and Vice-Admiral of the same, in Executive Council assembled, do hereby under the powers vested in me by Ordinance 27 of 1886, entitled The Commissioners Powers Ordinance, 1886, appoint you—

1.—The Honourable James Haldane Stewart Lockhart, Colonial Secretary and a Member of the Executive and Legislative Councils.

2.—The Honourable Catchick Paul Chater, a Member of the Legislative Council.

3.—The Honourable Thomas Henderson Whitehead, a Member of the Legislative Council.

4.—Nathaniel Joseph Ede, Esquire.

5.—Thomas Jackson, Esquire,

to be a Commission for the purpose of instituting, making, and conducting such inquiry; And I do hereby appoint you the said James Haldane Stewart Lockhart to be Chairman of such Commission; And I do hereby appoint Arathoon Seth, Esquire, to be the Secretary to such Commission; And I do hereby order and direct that for all or any of the purposes of this Commission three members thereof inclusive of the Chairman shall be and constitute a quorum. And I do further hereby order and direct that the said Commission shall, for the purpose of making the said inquiry, have all such powers as are vested in the Supreme Court of this colony or in any Judge thereof on the occasion of any suit or action in respect of the following matters, viz.:—

The enforcing the attendance of witnesses and examining them on oath, affirmation, or otherwise;

The compelling the production of documents;

The punishing persons guilty of contempt;

The ordering the inspection of any property; with power also, for the purpose of this Commission, to enter and view any premises.

And I do hereby further direct that every examination of witnesses shall be held in private; and I do further require you to report to me the evidence and your opinion thereon; and I hereby charge all persons in the Public Service to assist you herein.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the colony in Executive Council this Twenty-ninth day of July, One thousand Right hundred and Ninety-six.

By Command.
F. J. BADELEY,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

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THE *STRATHESK* DISABLED.

HEROIC CONDUCT OF THE OFFICERS ON THE 'PAOTING.'

—Shanghai, July 27.

We briefly refer in another column to the fact that the C. N. Co.'s steamer *Paoting* towed the steamer *Strathesk* from 20° S.E. of Patcheoock, which is about 60 miles below Steep Island, to Woosung, and we regret that want of time and space compel us to give a comparatively bare statement of facts, with a very slight allusion to the heroic conduct of the captain, and his officers, though their praiseworthy perseverance, in spite of seemingly unsurmountable difficulties, is deserving of something more than mere mention. The *Paoting* first sighted the *Strathesk* in company with another steamer, which proved to be the Norwegian steamer *Normandie*, Capt. Berg, and which was standing by to render assistance to the distressed vessel in case of emergency. The two vessels were at anchor, and the *Strathesk* was flying signals of distress. The captain of the *Paoting*, in spite of the mountainous sea that was running at the time, offered to tow the *Strathesk* in, as it was ascertained that she had lost all the blades of her propeller in the late typhoon. Captain Gyles's offer was accepted, and a 4-inch wire hawser and 6-inch Manila hawser were attached to the *Strathesk's* cable. At 7.30 p.m. the *Paoting* commenced to go ahead, but at 2.30 a.m. the tow-lines carried away. The *Paoting* anchored and stood by till morning. The next efforts to tow were futile, on account of the heavy sea that was running. Success finally attended the untiring efforts of the *Paoting's* officers, and another start was made, the cable, however, again parting at 9.30 a.m., and an examination showing that the eye had drawn away where it was made fast to the *Strathesk's* cable. Both vessels anchored, and it was decided to take the *Strathesk's* cable on board the *Paoting*. At this stage, however, the Chinese crew became mutinous, and it was only by the exercise of great patience and persuasion that they could be got to work again at all, the officers even then having to do all the dangerous work. Finally, the cable was got on board, after the utmost difficulty had been experienced. At 4 p.m. the vessels proceeded, and at 1.45 a.m. yesterday they arrived at Woosung without further accident. After the *Strathesk* had anchored the *Paoting* swung and fouled her stern, driving in the *Paoting's* mooring chocks, but no other serious accident resulting. Too much cannot be said in praise of this heroic deed, and we would suggest some substantial recognition of the inestimable service rendered by Captain Gyles and his gallant officers be made.—*Mercury.*

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(Rangoon Gazette.)

RIDING ACCIDENT IN INDIA.

Allahabad, July 13.—Yet another accident to a lady rider in the hills is reported. This accident, like the last, occurred at Dalhousie. Fortunately the rider again managed to seize a small bush in her fall, while the pony fell 150 feet down the khud and was killed on the spot. The lady, Miss Thomson, sister of Captain Thomson, 4th Goorkhas, when rescued from her position was found to have sustained a fracture of the leg above the ankle, but under the circumstances she is to be congratulated on her marvellous escape.

TRANSFRONTIER TRADE.

Simla, July 16.—The British Agent in Chinese Turkestan is on a visit to Simla in connection with the importation of British goods into Chinese territory.

THE MACGREGOR MEDAL.

Allahabad, July 15.—The Macgregor medal for 1895, for the best reconnaissance of the year, has been awarded to Lieut. Cocker, of the Intelligence Branch.

Ghulam Nabbi, of the Guides Corps, has been awarded the Macgregor medal given to Native soldiers for reconnaissance work. The gratuity given in connection with this medal has been allotted to two Jemadars of the 11th Bengal Lancers, who were attached to General Gerard's party on the Pamir Commission.

A NEW LANCE.

Simla, July 13.—Colonel Wilmot's new lance for Native Cavalry regiments has been generally approved and is likely to be adopted.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENT.

Allahabad, July 14.—Amongst recent news from the medical world of London is the appointment of Surgeon Lieutenant-Colonel P. J. Freyer to be Surgeon of St. Peter's Hospital, which is specially devoted to the class of diseases in which Dr Freyer made his eminent reputation in these Provinces. The appointment will be a satisfactory indication to his many friends out here that the late Civil Surgeon of Bareilly has quite recovered from the effects of the serious accident which sent him home.

THE DECEASED WIFE'S SISTER BILL.

London, July 11.—The Deceased Wife's Sister Bill passed the Lords by a majority of 38 votes. The Prince of Wales, the Duke of Connaught, the Duke of York and the Duke of Fife supported the Bill.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION.

London, July 17.—It is reported at New York that an arbitration treaty between Great Britain and the United States has been drafted, which includes the Venezuela arbitration, and that a commission of eleven members will be formed.

PROCEEDINGS IN PARLIAMENT.

London, July 16.—In the House of Commons last night Mr Gerald Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, announced the withdrawal of the contentious clauses and amendments of the Irish Land Bill, and it is believed the attitude of the landlords' representatives will prevent the passing of the Bill.

UNFAVOURABLE CROP PROSPECTS IN EGYPT.

London, July 16.—Uneasiness is being felt regarding the shortness of the water supply in Egypt. The maize crop is threatened, the Nile flood being a fortnight late.

THE TROOPING SERVICE.

Bombay, July 17.—The Indian Marine steamer *Clive*, which returned here yesterday, it will be remembered, took home the remaining details from India, and the account of the voyage as given in Mr Labouchere's paper created considerable comment both here and at home. To an enquiry whether the allegations made in *Truth* were correct the officers declared they were greatly exaggerated. If complaints as to bad rations were found to be correct the rations in question were thrown overboard. The officers state that whatever inconvenience the troops and their families had to put up with on they way home was not their fault, since it was the military and not the naval authorities who were responsible for overcrowding.

THE SUAKIM BRIGADE.

Allahabad, July 17.—It is likely that half at least of the Indian Brigade at Suakim will be sent back early in the cold weather if all goes well in the Nile Valley. This would point to the cessation of operations once Dongola has been occupied and an entrenched camp formed there.

INDIAN ARMY NEWS.

Simla, July 14.—A Committee has been formed to discuss the question of equipments of mountain artillery batteries. Lieutenant Colonel Aitkin is president of the Committee, which consists of Lieutenant-Colonels Dacres and Cunningham, Captains Burton, H. Grier and T. A. Browne of the Munster.

Colonel Mellis, Inspector-General, Imperial Service troops, has extended his leave to England and has decided to take two years' furlough in October. Lieut.-Colonel Tait, who officiates during his absence, proceeds on privilege leave immediately, Captain Cookson taking his place until further notice.

THE NEW RUPEE LOAN.

Simla, July 16.—The Ring will be kept clear on July 24th for telegrams relating to tenders for the 400 lakh loan. Only tenders for nominal amounts have so far been sent in. All tenders are expected to arrive on the closing day. So far no intimation has been received from the Rothschilds.

WRECK OFF SOCOTRA—A STEAMER FROM BASSEIN REPORTED LOST.

Bombay, July 14.—The Indian Marine steamer *Canning* arrived in harbour this forenoon from Suakim, which port she left on 29th June. She arrived at Aden on the 3rd July. On reaching Aden the officers of the *Canning* learned that a steamer had been wrecked off the island of Socotra. When this rumour became current at Aden the two Government vessels in harbour were at once despatched in search of the missing steamer. They cruised about for several days and reported that no clue of the supposed wreck has been found. The *Canning* left Aden on the 7th instant, but up to that time no further news of the wreck had been received. It is believed the ship was a homeward-bound merchant vessel.

Bombay, July 15.—With regard to the wreck at Socotra it appears a passing steamer sighted a steamer on the rocks off Socotra island. The vessel had broken into halves. On one part some 14 or 16 men were seen clinging to the rigging. At the time the weather was very stormy and the passing steamer could render no help.

This news was communicated by signal to Perim signalling station and immediately telegraphed to the port authories at Aden. The I. M. S. *Minto* was despatched on 20th ultimo in search of the wrecked steamer but no vestige of the wreck could be seen. The *Minto* could not go near the spot on account of the heavy weather but went to the rear of the island and landed a search party. They walked more than seven miles along the shore, but they could get no clue from the native residents. The *Minto* was forced to return without accomplishing her errand. On her way back she met H. M. S. *Pigeon* which had also been sent to look for the vessel. Both boats returned together on the 1st instant having given up the work as hopeless. Tremendous seas were breaking on the island where the steamer is supposed to have been wrecked.

It is believed the steamer was bound from Bassein, Burma, with a cargo of rice for the Continent or London. It is surmised the wrecked steamer is the *Curlew*, due at Socotra about the time she is reported lost.

Telegraphic news has been sent home, but nothing definite as to the vessel had been heard of when the *Canning* left Aden.

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AT the last meeting of the Straits Legislative Council, the Colonial Secretary in Council gave notice of motion that whereas in 1895 a sum of $200,000 was voted for the construction of new barracks and only $72,560 was expended and whereas in 1896, $150,000 was voted and the expenditure seemed likely to amount to $206,400, it be resolved that the sum of $56,000 be brought forward for expenditure this year.

THE political situation at Hongkong is serious. That colony has a legitimate ground for agitation against a decision conveyed in a despatch of Mr Chamberlain's, the substance of which has been telegraphed to the *Singapore Free Press*. It is therein laid down that Hongkong must pay its 17½ per cent. of Military Contribution, and that there shall be no rebate as to any revenue that might be accounted of a municipal character. That is to say, for all house and property assessments, horse and carriage licences, dog taxes, &c., 17½ per cent. is to go for military contribution. The demand is a preposterous one. Let Hongkong note, that by fighting this demand on the municipal principle, it will greatly strengthen its hands for the demand it is bound to keep up for the acquisition of a Municipal Board.—*Singapore Free Press.*

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Lyeemoon	3 c	Henermann	Ger. str.	1238	Aug. 2	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Macduff	...	Thomson	Brit. str.	1881	July 15	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Mammon	5 h	Branch	Brit. str.	1228	July 31	Butterfield & Swire	Sandakan	6th inst.
Monmouthshire	5 c	Evans	Brit. str.	1874	July 31	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.		
Nanchang	3 c	Finlayson	Brit. str.	1052	July 31	Butterfield & Swire	Tientsin	To-morrow
Naushan	...	Jenkins	Brit. str.	1340	July 25	Bradley & Co.	.....	Cos'tan Dock
Namyong	8 c	Smith	Brit. str.	934	Aug. 1	Chinese	Amoy	
Nanyang	...	Schulz	Ger. str.	1059	July 26	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Nerito	2 h	Daniel	Brit. str.	2760	July 31	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Nord	3 c	Bull	Norw. str.	768	July 30	Melchers & Co.		
Normandie	7 c	Berg	Norw. str.	628	July 29	Melchers & Co.		
Oopack	6 c	Sommer	Brit. str.	2517	Aug. 3	Holliday, Wise & Co.	Kuchinotzu	To-morrow
Orono	7 h	Hancock	Brit. str.	1321	June 22	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Shanghai	
Osborne	7 c	Rottie	Brit. str.	3033	Aug. 3	Nippon Yusen Kaisha		
Patroclus	5 c	Dickens	Brit. str.	3323	Aug. 3	Butterfield & Swire	Bombay, &c.	
Petrarch	3 c	Schaff	er. str.	1252	July 4	Wieler & Co.		
Phra Chom Klao	3 c	Fowler	Brit. str.	1011	July 31	Yuen Fat Hong		
Phra Chula Chom Klao	2 c	Primrose	Brit. str.	1012	Aug. 2	Yuen Fat Hong		
Pictola	...	Hass	Ger. str.	875	July 20	Siemssen & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Progress	...	Brandt	Ger. str.	547	July 27	Siemssen & Co.	Tourane	K'loon Dock
Sabine Rickmers	3 c	Sanders	Ger. str.	598	Aug. 3	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Shantung	3 c	Frampton	Brit. str.	1535	July 27	Butterfield & Swire	.....	K'loon Dock
Strathallan	...	Macaubrey	Brit. str.	1488	July 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Strathleven	5 c	Moar	Brit. str.	1108	July 31	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	To-morrow
Taiwan	3 c	Benson	Brit. str.	1459	Aug. 3	Butterfield & Swire	Yokohama	To-morrow
Taiyuan	7 c	Nelson	Brit. str.	764	July 11	Order	.....	To-morrow
Tangred	8 h	Kroge	Norw. str.	1814	July 30	Siemssen & Co.	Swatow	
Tatartos	3 c	Cornelsen	Ger. str.	1317	July 23	Order	.....	To-morrow
Tyr	7 c	Gram	Norw. str.	1293	July 26	Butterfield & Swire	Saigon	To-morrow
Wuhu	8 c	Vaughan	Brit. str.	1160	July 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	To-day
Yuensang	3 c	Waddilove	Brit. str.					
Sailing Vessels.								
C. E. Moody	3 c	Leonard	Amer. sh.	1915	July 4	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Commodore T. H. Allen	8 c	Merriman	Amer. sh	2216	May 22	Standard Oil Co.		
Fooling Suey	3 c	Willett	Haw. bqe.	980	July 31	Order		
Glen Oaladh	3 c	Lamont	Brit. bqe.	466	Mar. 1	Gilman & Co.		
Isaac Reed	2 h	Waldo	Amer. sh.	1479	June 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Ivy	5 h	Brothers	Amer. sh.	4145	Aug. 1	Musso & Co.		
John Baizley	3 h	.....	Amer. sch.	—	May 30	Order		
Lothair	2 c	Ferretto	Italian bqe.	796	July 31	D. Musso & Co.		
Manuel Llaguno	3 h	Small	Amer. sh.	1650	April 27	Captain		
Orient	4 h	Ployer	Ger. bqe.	461	Aug. 1	Wieler & Co.		
Panmuir	7 c	Soule	Amer. sh.	1498	July 1	Standard Oil Co.		
Retriever	3 c	Walls	Amer. sch.	75	April 3	Captain		
Suchem	2 h	Lancaster	Amer. sh.	1311	June 12	Order		
Savona	2 h	Dinsmore	Brit. sh.	1583	June 12	Captain		
Smara	5 h	Tollosson	Norw. bqe.	553	July 21	Captain		
Socotra	3 c	Rohde	Brit. sh.	1597	June 29	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Scottish Isles	7 h	Nicol	Brit. sh.	1926	June 15	Melchers & Co.		
Sutlej	5 h	Pitt	Brit. sh.	1872	July 3	Naval Dept.		

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	*Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Guns.*	*I.H.P.*	*Captain.*	*Where at.*
Æolus	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	7000	Captain Robert L. Groome	Kuchinotzu
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1710	12	3180	Commander F. G. De Lisle	Hakodate
Archer	cruiser 3rd class	1770	16	2200	Comd. C. E. Kingsmill	Shanghai
Centurion*	twin-screw battle ship	10,500	41	13,000	Captain Spencer H. Login	Akishi
Daphne	sloop	1146	16	1400	Commander A. C. Galloway	Chemulpo
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	9	340	Lieut.-Com. H. P. Barton	Shanghai
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	455	6	460	Lieut.-Com. Vernon Maud	Shanghai
Grafton	twin-screw cruiser, 1st class	7,350	36	10,000	Captain E. P. Jones	Hongkong
Humber	storeship	16 0	—	8 0	Commander F. W. Wyley	Shanghai
Immortalité	armoured cruiser	5600	34	8500	Captain Edward Chichester	Akishi
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	766	8	1050	Commander R. O Sparkes	Hakodate
Narcissus	armoured cruiser	6500	34	8,500	Captain H. B. Lang	Akishi
Peacock	gunboat 1st class	750	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. H. J. D. Laxton	Tientsin
Pigmy	gunboat 1st class	755	10	1200	Lieut.-Belaire	Behring Sea
Pigeon	cruiser	3300	21	7000	Capt. Henry C. Bigge	Akishi
Plover	gunboat 1st class	755	10	1200	Lieut. Spencer V. L. de Horsey	Yokohama
Porpoise	cruiser 3rd class	1770	16	3500	Commander F. R. Pelly	Singapore
Rainbow	cruiser	3600	21	7000	Captain Wm. C. C. Forsyth	Akishi
Redpole	gunboat 1st class	710	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Cotesworth	Singapore
Redpole	gunboat 1st class	805	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. E. H. Grafton	Hongkong
Spartan	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	7000	Captain Alfred L. Winsloe	Behring Sea
Swift	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	8	1010	Commander R. K. McAlpine	Behring Sea
Tamar	ex-transport	2047	—	—	———	Hongkong
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	5	340		Hongkong
Undaunted	armoured cruiser	5600	34	8600	Captain John S. Halifax	Hakodate
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	5157	14	—	Commodore Boyes	Hongkong
Wivern	coast defence ship, armour	2750	12	1450	———	Hongkong

Torpedo Boats in Reserve Nos. 8, 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first class; and 3 second class boats.
* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Buller, K.C.B.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Stations.

Name.	*Flag and Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Guns.*	*H.P.*	*Captain.*	*Where at.*
Admiral Kornieloff	Russian cruiser	4950	32	6000	Captain Eltchaninoff	Vladivostock
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian flagship	7731	32	9500	Captain Kasharinoff	Vladivostock
Alcout	Russian gunboat	810	2	730	Captain Parenego	Yokohama
Algor	French cruiser	4330	30	8000	Captain Boutet	Chefoo
Arcona	German cruiser	2370	18	2400	Captain A. Sarnow	Bangkok
Aspic	French gunboat	475	4	450	Commander Journet	Yokohama
Bayard	French flagship	6010	26	4400	Commander Fortin	Yokohama
Boutemps-Beaupré	French wooden sloop	1350	14	1000	Captain Ternet	Hongkong
Bongo	Portuguese gunboat	462	5	400	Capt. A. T. Da Costa e Silva	Nagasaki
Bobre	Russian sloop	950	13	1150	Captain Molda	Shanghai
Boston	U. S. cruiser	3000	8	3500	Captain F. Wildes	Manila
Castilla	Spanish cruiser	3290	22	4400	Capt. Enrique Santula	Shanghai
Comeita	French gunboat	495	4	500	Capt. Maudet	Nagasaki
Detroit	U. S. cruiser	2000	16	5400	Commander John Stark Newell	Chemulpo
Dimitri Donskoi	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Witthoft	Manila
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1200	4	—	Capt. Ducle	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	1130	14	1500	Commander R. P. de Bonaure	Saigon
Duguay Trouin	French cruiser	3535	19	4800	Captain Bayle	Kobe
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	400	9	3500	———	Manila
General Alava	Spanish gun-vessel	1200	—	—	Capt. Ramon Rochiquet Freijillo	Manila
Gremiastchy	Russian gunboat	1490	12	1330	Capt. Boucharoff	Chefoo
Itis	German gunboat	490	4	340	Capt.-Lieut. Braun	Foundered
Imperator Nicolai I	Russian frigated	8600	32	8000	Capt. Foelkersham	———
Irene	German cruiser	4400	22	6000	Capt. du Bois	Chefoo
Italy	French cruiser	4320	22	8000	Captain Rivet	Nagasaki
Kaiser	German flagship	7677	15	7800	Captain Zoyl	Chefoo
Korejets	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Capt. Lindestroem	Chemulpo
Kormoran	German cruiser	1640	8	2800	Captain Brinkmann	Chefoo
Kreiser	Russian sloop	1330	13	1200	Capt. Beklemishoff	Nagasaki
Lion	French gunboat	500	6	500	Lieutenant Gauchet	Saigon
Lutin	French gunboat	490	4	500	Lieut.-Com. Gueydon	Saigon
Machias	U. S. cruiser	1050	16	1800	Commander Houston	Newchwang
Manila	Spanish transport	1057	2	1000	Captain Vinigra	Manila
Mandshur	Russian sloop	1200	9	1400	Commander Podlapolsk	Nagasaki
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	6	850	Com. Reidinger	Tientsin
Olympia	U. S. flagship	5500	14	13,000	Captain J. J. Read	Yokohama
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1420	12	2000	Captain Rasin	Nagasaki
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6000	33	8000	Captain Rodionoff	Vladivostock
Panther	Austrian cruiser	1500	—	—	Commander Koppel	Shanghai
Pluvier	French gunboat	545	6	450	Lieut.-Commander Vidal	Bangkok
Princess Wilhelm	German cruiser	4400	32	8000	Captain von Holtzendorff	Chefoo
Reina Cristina	Spanish cruiser	3090	19	4800	Comd'er Jose Warleta	Hongkong
Rurik	Russian 1st class cruiser	10,920	48	18,500	Captain Krieger	Vladivostock
Silistch	Russian gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Baranoff	Vladivostock
Sivoutch	Russian cruiser	950	13	1200	Captain Astrasoff	Vladivostock
Sophie	German cruiser	3100	14	2100	Captain Herding	Nanking
Vipere	French gunboat	450	4	400	Commander Cornicelle	Bangkok
Yorktown	U. S. cruiser	1700	16	3600	Commander Stockton	Chemulpo
Zabijaka	Russian cruiser	1230	12	1470	Captain Lebedeff	Chemulpo

SHIPPING IN CHINA, JAPAN, PHILIPPINES & SIAM WATERS.

CANTON.

Vessel's Name.	*Flag & Rig.*	*Destination.*
Bygdo	Norw. str.	
Fushun	Chi. str.	
Taisang	Brit. str.	

AMOY.

In port on July 27, 1896.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Haimen	British
C. H. Kian	British
Chintung	Chinese
Dante	German
Falkenburg	German
Rio	German

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Nelle Troop	Brit. bqe.
Rewa	Brit. sh.

FOOCHOW.

In port on July 25, 1896.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Crown of Arragon	British
Lseyuen	Chinese

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Walter Siegfried	Brit. bqe.

SHANGHAI.

In port on July 24, 1896.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Chingtu	British
Chunsang	British
Ella	British
Ellen Rickmers	German
E nest Simons	French
Fuhwo	British
Glenlochy	British
Hsinchi	Chinese
Kaifong	British
Keshing	British
Kiangkwan	Chinese
Kiangyu	Chinese
Kobe Maru	Japanese
Kongsa	Chinese
Krim	Norwegian
Kweilee	Chinese
Lyeemoon	German
Ningchow	Chinese
Pekin	British
Pochi	Chinese
Pronto	German
Pyrrhus	British
Ravenna	British
Strathlyon	British
Strathenvis	British
Taisang	British
Taiwan	British
Volcan	Norwegian
Woosang	British
Yiing	British
Wuchang	British
Yungping	Chinese
Sweena	British

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Alice Mary	Brit. bqe.
Carrollton	Amer. sh.
Comet	Nics. bqe.
C. S. Bement	Amer. sh.
Helen Brewer	Haw. sh.
Holyrood	Brit. sh.
Jaroslav	Rus. sh.
John Currier	Amer. sh.
Josephus	Amer. sh.
Mary	Norw. bqe.
Paul Revere	Amer. sh.
Petersburg	Russ. sh.
Poltallock	Brit. sh.
Robt. Searles	Am. 4m. sc.
Willie R. Hume	Am. 4m. sh.
Wm. H. Conner	Amer. sh.

NAGASAKI.

In Port on July 20, 1896.

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Dunbon	Brit. sh.
Kennebec	Amer. sh.

KOBE.

In port on July 19, 1896.

Falkland	Brit. bqe.
H. Bischoff	Ger. sh.
How. D. Troop	Brit. sh.
Java	Brit. bqe.
Liverpool	Brit. sh.

YOKOHAMA.

In port on July 17, 1896.

Anconda	Am. sch.
Geo. R. Skolfield	Amer. sh.
Tolna	Am. si-yh.

MANILA.

In Port on July 8, 1896.

MERCHANT STEAMERS AND SAILING VESSELS.

Bowman B. Law	Brit. bqe. D'ware B'water
Chusan	Ger. str. Hongkong
Constance	Brit. sh. discharging
Cosmopolit	Ger. str. Hongkong
Eloano	Span. str. Singapore
Glooscap	Brit. sh. discharging
Heathbank	Brit. sh. New York
Nanshan	Brit. str. Hoilo
Norwood	Brit. sh. Atlantic, U.S.
Santiago	Span. str. Liverpool v. Spain
Yuensang	Brit. str. Hongkong
Zafiro	Brit. str. Hongkong

ILOILO.

Ormidale	Brit. str. Gibraltar f. o.
Peru	Brit. str. United K'dom

CEBU.

Bidston Hill	Brit. sh. Boston
Glenorchy	Brit. str. Hongkong

BANGKOK.

In port on July 18, 1896.

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Allegro	Norw. bqe.
Charon Wattana Siam.	bqe.
Dolly	Norw. bqe.
Eros	Dan. bqe.
Guldrun	Norw. bqe.
Olekriendorn	Norw. bqe.
Poseidon	Norw. bqe.
Wademar	Norw. bqe.

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